

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: GTE MIDWEST INCORPORATED, CONTEL OF MINNESOTA, INC. d/b/a GTE MINNESOTA, AND LTDS CORPORATION	DOCKET NO. NIA-99-13
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**ORDER DOCKETING NEGOTIATED INTERCONNECTION
AGREEMENT FOR COMMENTS**

(Issued August 26, 1999)

On August 12, 1999, GTE Midwest Incorporated, Contel of Minnesota, Inc., d/b/a GTE Minnesota, and LTDS Corporation filed a notice of adoption of an arbitrated interconnection agreement for Utilities Board (Board) review pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e). The proceeding will be identified as Docket No. NIA-99-13. The parties propose to adopt the arbitrated interconnection agreement between GTE Midwest, Inc., and AT&T Communications of the Midwest, Inc., to govern interconnection between and among themselves.

Under the procedures in IOWA ADMIN. CODE 199-38.7(4) (1999), the parties to the negotiation or any other interested party may submit written comments supporting approval or rejection of the agreement within 30 days of the filing. Thus, the Board will accept written comments on or before September 13, 1999, allowing for the holiday and the weekend. The Board will determine what procedures are appropriate for review of the agreement after any comments are filed. Pursuant to

47 U.S.C. § 252 (e)(4), the Board must approve or reject the interconnection agreement within 90 days of the submission of the agreement or the agreement will be deemed approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. The proceeding to review the negotiated interconnection agreement filed on August 12, 1999, by GTE Midwest Incorporated, Contel of Minnesota, Inc., d/b/a GTE Minnesota, and LTDS Corporation, shall be identified as Docket No. NIA-99-13.

2. Comments supporting approval or rejection of the agreement by the parties to the negotiation or other interested parties shall be filed on or before September 13, 1999.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Allan T. Thoms

/s/ Susan J. Frye

ATTEST:

/s/ Raymond K. Vawter, Jr. /s/ Diane Munns
Executive Secretary

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 26th day of August, 1999.